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Here's a sprinkling of what's happening in these pages...the games world's favourite character needs to watch his spikes in the new three part Sonic story: Flickies' Island! Seedy dog Captain Plunder wishes he was off the hook with the Spice Maidens in the second installment of his latest adventure. The Decappers come down with football fever in Funny Old Game, and as for Tails... well you can find out if he's really lost his cool in the concluding part of Flip Side.

Stay tuned next issue when there'll be a treat for Amy fans; she teams up with Tekno as she gets a day off - nice to know some folks get a holiday around here!

Megadroid

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FLICKIES' ISLAND

NEW STORY

Part 1

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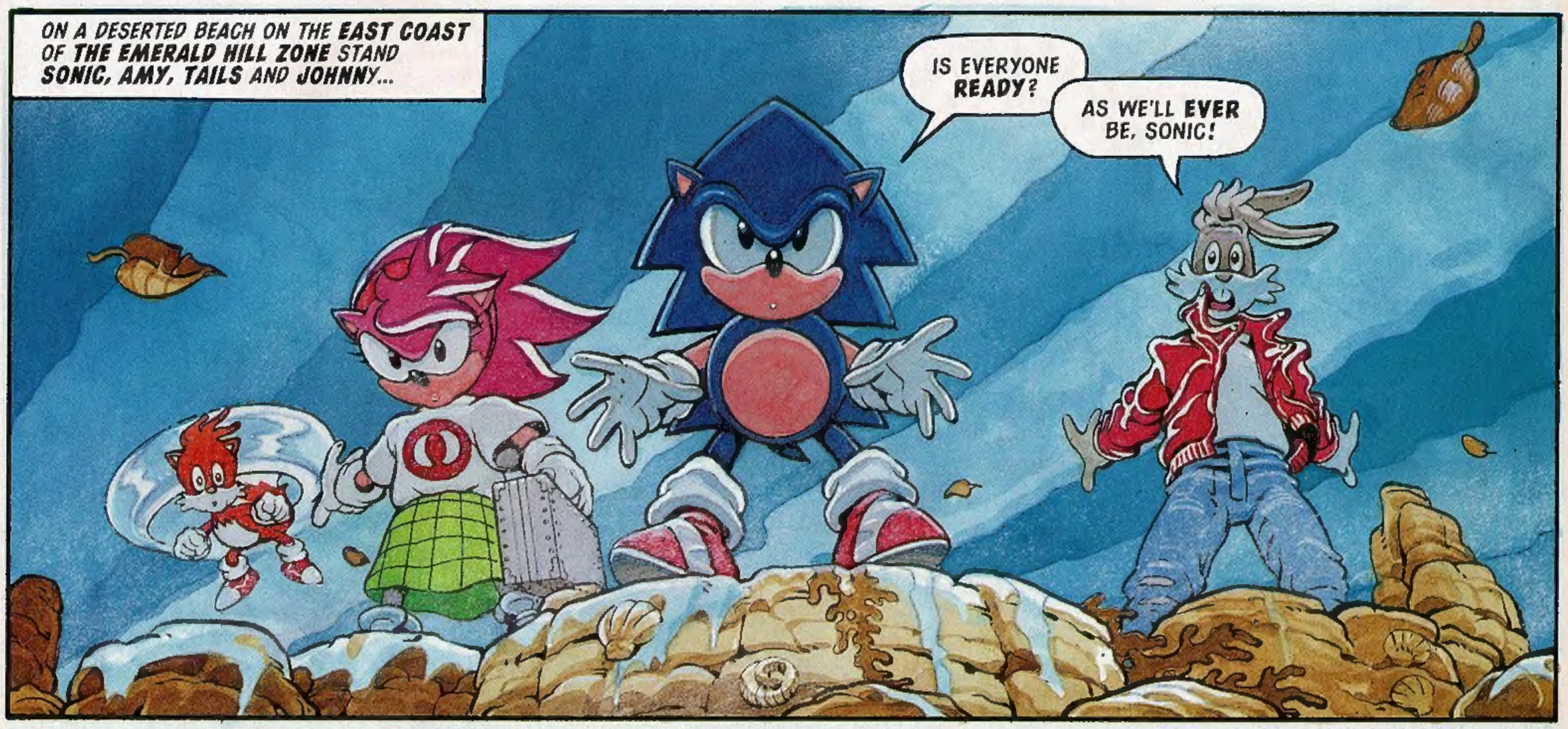
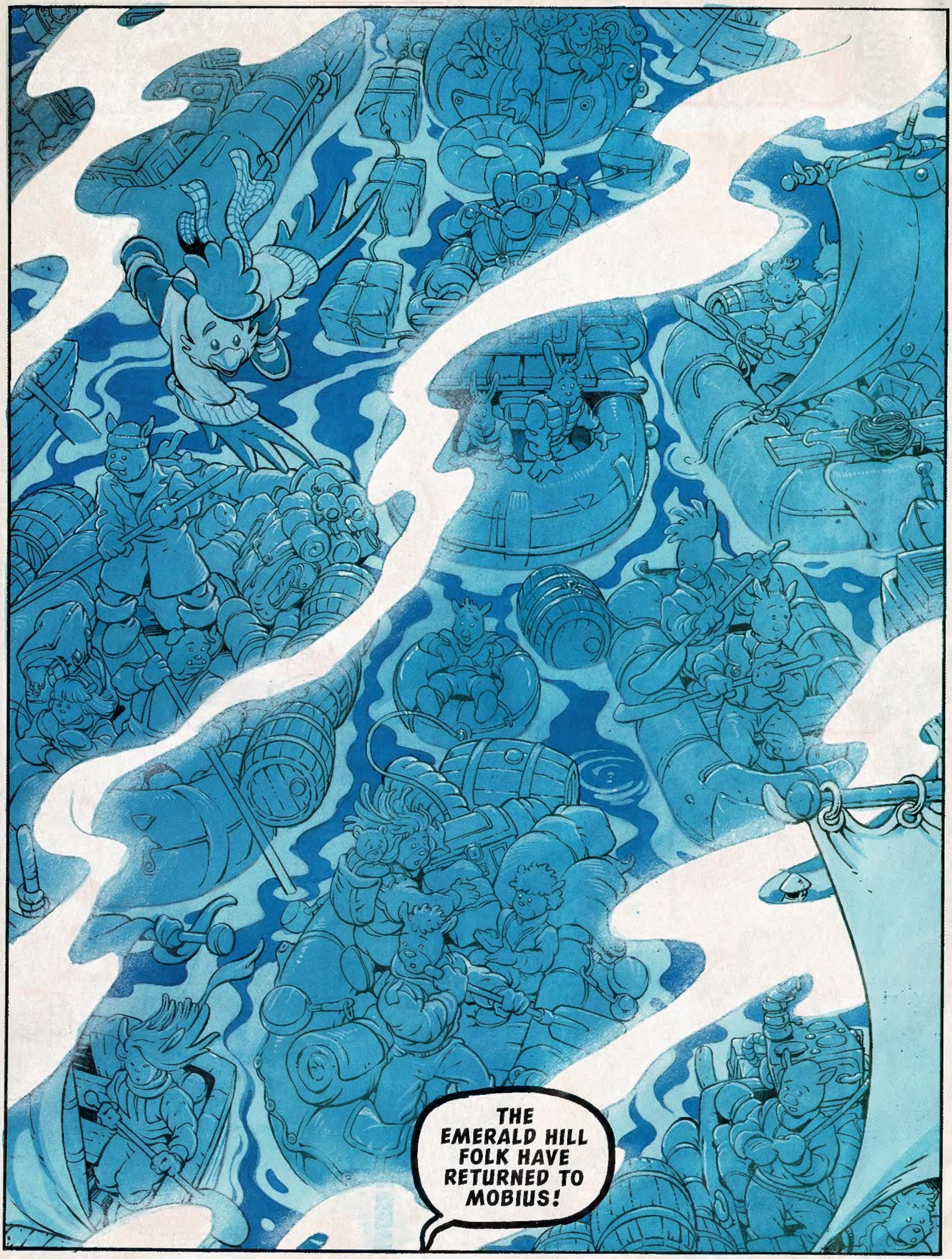

ON A DESERTED BEACH ON THE EAST COAST OF THE EMERALD HILL ZONE STAND SONIC, AMY, TAILS AND JOHNNY...
IS EVERYONE READY?
AS WE'LL EVER BE, SONIC!


THE EMERALD HILL FOLK HAVE RETURNED TO MOBIUS!

I CAN **HARDLY** BELIEVE IT... I **NEVER** THOUGHT WE'D BE ABLE TO RETURN TO THE EMERALD HILL ZONE!

BELIEVE IT, BUDDY! THIS IS THE START OF A WHOLE **NEW LIFE** FOR US ALL!

AND DOCTOR ROBOTNIK IS **DEFEATED**... GONE FOR GOOD! IT'S LIKE A **DREAM!**

YEAH, THINGS ARE GOING TO BE A **LOT** MORE **RELAXED** AROUND HERE!

NO **ROBOTNIK** TO BATTLE AGAINST... WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH YOURSELF **NOW**, SONIC?

THE FLOATING ISLAND... LOOK AT IT!

IT'S RISING INTO THE **AIR**... GOING BACK INTO THE SKY ABOVE PLANET MOBIUS!

HEY, THERE'S A MESSAGE COMING THROUGH FROM THE FLOATING ISLAND!

SONIC! THIS IS A **GREAT DAY**, OLD BUDDY...

YOU GET TO BE THE **HERO** WHO FINALLY DEFEATED ROBOTNIK AND **I** GET MY FLOATING ISLAND BACK TO MYSELF!

SONIC, I'M GOING TO **STAY** ON THE FLOATING ISLAND FOR A WHILE...

THERE'S LOADS OF **WORK** TO DO ON THE ANCIENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND I THINK I CAN **HELP!**

SUIT YOURSELF, PORKER...

I GUESS YOU CAN **RETIRE** NOW, SONIC!

SMART ALEC!

STILL, THE ECHIDNA'S **RIGHT**... WHAT DO I DO **NOW**? I DON'T EXACTLY SEE MYSELF GOING INTO ACCOUNTANCY!

SONIC?

IS EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT?

WHAT COULD BE **WRONG**, LITTLE BUDDY? THIS IS THE DAY WE'VE ALL BEEN **FIGHTING FOR** ISN'T IT?

A COUPLE OF DAYS LATER IN THE EMERALD HILL ZONE...

BORED... BORED... BORED.... BOR-ED!

HELP! COME QUICKLY!

TAILS? WHAT IS IT?

OKAY, WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO SEE?

OVER HERE SONIC!

TWEET!

A BIRD! YOU BROUGHT ME ALL THIS WAY TO SHOW ME A CUTESY WOODLAND CREATURE?

NO, YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND... THIS IS A FLICKY! THERE'S DANGER AND...

TWEET!

TWEET!

SO WHO SAID THERE'S DANGER? DON'T TELL ME, THE BIRD TOLD YOU, DIDN'T HE?

BECAUSE YOU KNOW HOW TO SPEAK 'TWEET' DON'T YOU?

WELL, YES, AS A MATTER OF FACT I DO!

THE TESTS ARE **COMPLETE**, MASTER... THE RESULTS ARE **POSITIVE!**

SPLENDID, GRIMER, **SPLENDID!** THEN THESE **REVOLTING** LITTLE CREATURES WILL MAKE PERFECT **ORGANIC BATTERIES** FOR MY NEW DESIGN OF **BADNIK!**

SOON I WILL RETURN TO **MOBIUS** AND THEY'LL **PAY** FOR THEIR **INSOLENCE**... HOW DARE THEY DEPOSE **ME**, THE GREAT **DOCTOR ROBOTNIK?**

BRING ME THE OTHER FLICKY WE CAPTURED, GRIMER!

I... I'M AFRAID IT **ESCAPED**, MASTER!

ESCAPED? YOU **INCOMPETENT** FOOL! I OUGHT TO...

UGGGGGH!

BAH! IT DOESN'T MATTER. WHAT HARM CAN ONE ESCAPED FLICKY CAUSE?

COME, GRIMER...

IT IS TIME FOR THE INHABITANTS OF FLICKIES' ISLAND TO MEET THEIR NEW MASTER!

THANKS FOR COMING WITH ME, SONIC!

OKAY, JUST DON'T BROADCAST THE FACT THAT I WENT TO FLICKIES' ISLAND BECAUSE OF SOMETHING YOU WERE TOLD BY A LITTLE BIRD!

NEXT ISSUE: THE REUNION!

Part 2

CAPTAIN Plunder AND THE SPICE MAIDENS

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HIGH ON A HILL STANDS THE GRANDEST MANSION IN PIRATE TOWN...

RAP RAP RAP

I GOT A BAD FEELIN' ABOUT THIS, CAP'N...

AYE, BUT WHEN ZORABEL THE PIRATE QUEEN WANTS A MEETIN', YE GOT NO CHOICE!

YESSS?

OH, IT'S YOU! WELL, I SUPPOSE YOU'D BETTER COME IN...

THIS SHOULD BE A LAUGH...I LIKE A LAUGH...

MOMENTS LATER, CAPTAIN PLUNDER AND FILCH MEET ZORABEL AND HER **FIVE DAUGHTERS**...

FIRST THINGS *FIRST!*

THIS 'ERE'S MY *GIRLS*...

'CINNAMON...'

HE DON'T NEED OUR NAMES, MA, HE CAN JUST CALL US THE **SPICE MAIDENS!**

'NUTMEG...'

HEEHEE-HEEHEEHEE-HEE!

'CORIANDER...'

ADVENTURE AWAITS... I AM IMPATIENT TO BEGIN.

'PEPPER...'

CORI'S *RIGHT*, LET'S GET THIS SHOW ON THE ROAD!

'AND FINALLY TARRAGON!'

DO YOU THINK I LOOK TOO *PALE* IN THIS?

LOOK, I DON'T WANT TO BE **RUDE**, YER MAJESTY... BUT WHAT BE YOU **WANTIN'** FROM ME?

SHUT YER **TRAP** AN' I'LL BE **A-TELLING** YOU!

THIS HERE BE A **MAP**, PLUNDER. MY GIRLS ARE GOING TO JOIN YOUR **CREW**...

YOU BE GOING HUNTIN' FOR **TREASURE!**

YER **JOKING!** A PIRATE SHIP BE NO PLACE FOR **GIRLS!**

BESIDES, EVERYBODY **KNOWS** THAT WOMEN ON BOARD SHIP BE BAD LUCK!

THAT **DOES IT!**

SAY THAT AGAIN AND I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT BAD LUCK **REALLY** IS!

WOKK!

NOW *LISTEN*, PLUNDER!

WITH ALL THE *TROUBLE* YOU'VE CAUSED IN THE PAST, IT BE LUCKY I AIN'T KICKED YOU OUT OF SCOURGE BAY!

SO, YOU'LL BE TAKING MY GIRLS ON YER SHIP AND YOU *WILL* GET MY TREASURE FOR ME...

BE THAT *CLEAR?*

OF COURSE, I'D *LOVE* TO...

BUT HOW WOULD IT *LOOK?* YOUR SWEET YOUNG DAUGHTERS ON A SHIP FULL OF CUT-THROAT PIRATES... IT JUST WOULDN'T BE *RIGHT!*

HMMM. I *SEE* WHAT YOU MEAN...

QUICK THINKIN', CAP'N...

HAH, ZORABEL AIN'T SO SMART... YOU JUST GOT TO KNOW HOW TO HANDLE HER!

THAT NIGHT...

TIME TO GET BACK TO THE SHIP AND SET SAIL!

CAST OFF, YOU *SWABS!*

ONCE AGAIN IT'S TIME FOR CAPTAIN PLUNDER TO STRIKE *FEAR* INTO...

UH, CAP'N... THERE BE *SOMETHING* YOU SHOULD KNOW...

WHAT?

WHAT BE YOU DOING HERE?

I SAID NO FEMALES ON MY SHIP! WELL, YOU AIN'T GOT ZORABEL TO PROTECT YOU NOW, SO...

WHAKK!

OWW! WHO DID THAT? I'LL...

YOU WERE RIGHT, PLUNDER! I COULDN'T LEAVE MY GIRLS ALONE ON A SHIP WITH A SLOB LIKE YOU!

SO I FIGURED THAT I WOULD COME ALONG!

WAKK!

LET'S GET GOING, PLUNDER...

I BE LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS... IT'S YEARS SINCE I BEEN ON A SHIP!

THAT TREASURE BE AS GOOD AS OURS!

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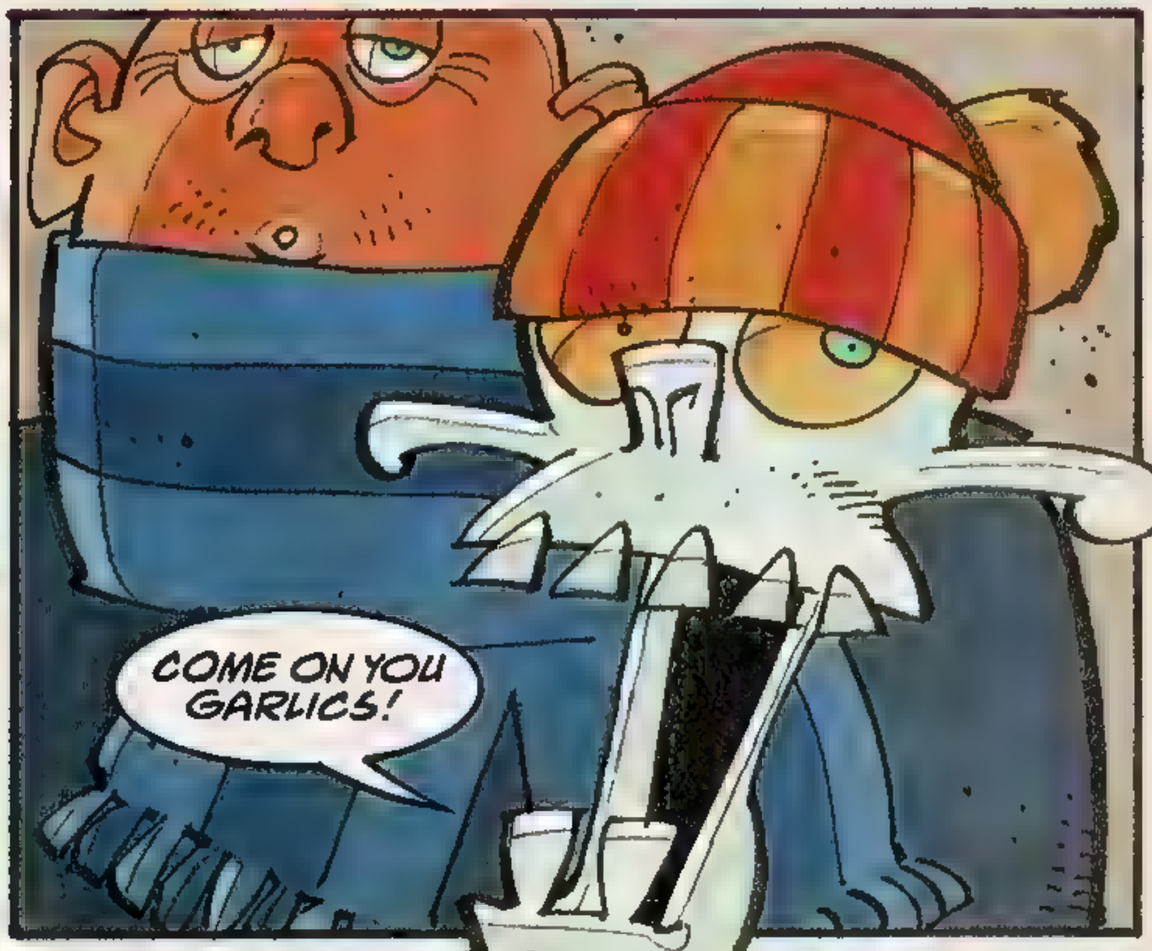

TRANSYLVANIA UNITED
BLACK FOREST GATEAUX
COME OFF IT, HEAD, THE GATEAUX WIN EVERY YEAR... AFTER ALL THEY ARE SPONSORED BY SLURP-A-CHEESE!
IGOR'S RIGHT, AND WHAT'S WORSE, THE BOSS OF SLURP-A-CHEESE IS ALSO THE REFEREE!

SLURP-A-CHEESE... GET IT WHILE IT'S RUNNY!

DO YOU HAVE ANY CHOCOLATE FLAVOUR LEFT?

SLURP A CHEESE

A STRAWBERRY MILKSHAKE ONE FOR ME!

VOT IS DER DIFFERENCE...? IT ALL TASTES DER SAME ANYHOW!

MMM... DISGUSTING!

WATCH YER MOUTH, GREENY, THAT'S OUR SPONSOR'S CHEESE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!

YEAH, WE LOVE IT!

ONLY TWO MINUTES LEFT...

THAT'S IT... IF WE DON'T GET A RESULT THIS TIME, I'M THROUGH WITH THIS STUPID GAME!

NO, WE'RE GONNA WIN, I CAN FEEL IT IN MY BONE!

VON MINUTE TO GO... LOOKS LIKE IT VILL BE EIN DRAW!

CHUCK, GRAB THE BALL, I HAVE AN IDEA!

HEAD, WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, YOU TWIT?

PENALTY!

PENALTY? COME ON, REF! I NEVER TOUCHED HIM!

NO, BUT I SAW YOU PULLING A RUDE FACE INSIDE THE AREA... THAT'S A PENALTY IN MY BOOK!

THIS IS IT, THE CUP'S AS GOOD AS OURS!

HERE WE GO AGAIN... SAME THING EVERY SEASON!

GNOMP!

YAAAAA!

WHAT'S HE UP TO?... 'ERE MATE, THIS IS NO TIME TO SHOW OFF YER FANCY BALL CONTROL!

JUST HIT IT!

IF YOU EVER WANT TO SEE THIS FOOT AGAIN YOU'LL DO EXACTLY WHAT I TELL YOU!

GLARP!

Y...YOU GOT IT!

WHAT'S HE DOING? HE'S GOING THE WRONG WAY!

AH, AH... WATCH OUT FOR MY CORNS!

VOT IS DIS? I THOUGHT IT VOS ALL OVER?

IT IS NOW!

HEAD! FOR ONCE YOU DID SOMETHING RIGHT!

IT WAS NOTHING REALLY... I JUST CLOSED MY EYES AND THE NEXT THING I KNEW, I WAS IN THE BACK OF THE NET!

I FEEL SICK!

THAT'S SLURP-A-CHEESE FOR YOU!

THAT DOES IT, I'LL *NEVER* SPONSOR A FOOTBALL MATCH AGAIN!

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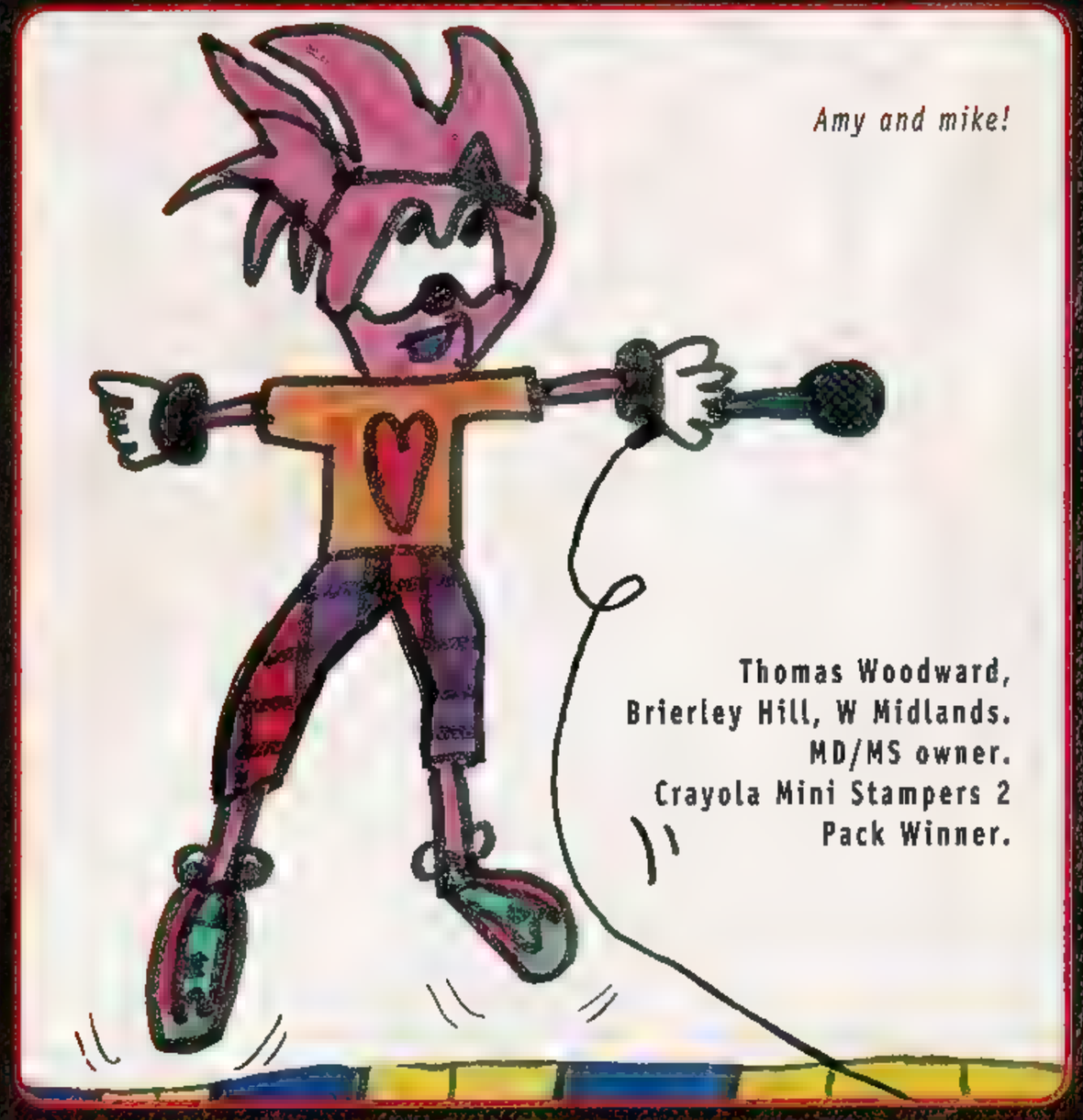

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FLIP SIDE Part 2

TAILS HAS UNDERGONE HYPNO-THERAPY TO BECOME MORE CONFIDENT, BUT IT'S NOT TURNED OUT AS EXPECTED...

TAILS! GET WITH THE PROGRAM! FLY UP AND SAVE THOSE DUDES FROM CRASHING IN THEIR BALLOON!

Help!

CHILL OUT, SONIC! I NEED SOME QUALITY TIME TO HAVE MY FUR BRUSHED!

TAILS THINKS HE'S TOO COOL TO HELP OUT NOW! GOTTA SNAP HIM OUT OF IT — FAST!

OKAY, PAL! GUESS IT'S UP TO ME TO SAVE THE DAY AGAIN! TOO BAD YOU'RE NOT UP TO IT!

HEY, HEDGEHOG, YOU SAYIN' I'M NOT BRAVE ENOUGH?

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MEANWHILE, UP ABOVE, ECCENTRIC BALLOONIST [illegible] BANDSTAND PANICS AND...

YEEIIIKK!

ULP! WHAT'S THE RUSH? WE'RE GONNA HIT THE GROUND SOON ENOUGH ANYWAY!

TAILS! YOU DECIDED TO SAVE US AFTER ALL!

DID YOU THINK I WAS GONNA LET SONIC TAKE ALL THE CREDIT?

SONIC SAVES THE CO-PILOT...

WOW! YOUR SPEED IS CAUSING AN UPDRAFT OF AIR TO SLOW THE DESCENT OF THE BALLOON!

WELL THE IDEA WASN'T JUST TO BREAK IN A NEW PAIR OF SNEAKERS, GENIUS!

CONSIDER YOURSELF RESCUED! HAPPY NOW?

OOF! THANKS—I THINK!

BUMP

NEXT TIME, LEAVE THE FLYING TO THE EXPERTS!

TAILS USED TO BE SUCH A NICE GUY!

TELL ME ABOUT IT!

LATER...

SONIC, HAVE YOU SEEN TAILS?

I'M DOCTOR SORDERS AND I HYPNOTISED TAILS IN AN ATTEMPT TO GIVE HIM MORE CONFIDENCE!*

* SEE LAST ISSUE – MEGADROID.

WELL, HE'S CHANGED INTO A GRADE-A CREEP! ANY WAY YOU CAN REVERSE IT?

YES, IF I CAN...

SONIC! HAVE YOU ANY IDEA WHY TAILS IS FLYING TOWARDS THE TOUGH TEA CLUB?

IN THE GRAVEL PIT ZONE? THAT'S ONE ROUGH NEIGHBOUR-HOOD!

THE TOUGH TEA CLUB...

HEY! ANYONE LOOKING FOR TROUBLE?

IF YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOOD FOR YOU, YOU'LL TURN YOUR PUNY SELF AROUND AND GET OUTTA HERE!

OH, IS THAT RIGHT, SLOBBER-CHOPS?

YOU'VE JUST SPILLED MY EARL GREY!

WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO ABOUT IT, MUTT?

YOUR TAILS ARE *HISTORY*, FOX!

HOLD IT, GUYS! TAILS DOESN'T KNOW WHAT HE'S DOING!

I KNOW I CAN TAKE OUT THIS BUNCH WITH MY EYES CLOSED!

TOUGH TALK, PUNK!

DO YOUR STUFF, DOC!

TAILS! WHEN I CLICK MY FINGERS YOU WILL RETURN TO NORMAL!

SNAP!

OO-ER! WHERE AM I?

ULP! SUSPECT I'VE BEEN ACTING A BIT OUT OF ORDER, HAVEN'T I?

THAT'S ONE WAY TO PUT IT!

NO HARM DONE, DUDES! LET US PASS!

GRUNT!

O! HEDGEHOG! *NO!* I *RESPECT* YOUR SUPER-SPEED AGILITY AND HEROIC DEEDS, BUT IF YOU AND YOUR TWIN-TAILED PAL THINK YOU CAN GOAD US INTO A FIGHT AND THEN WALK OFF, YOU CAN *FORGET* IT!

JUST GET TO THE POINT!

POINT IS I'M GONNA KNOCK YOUR HEAD OFF!

SMASH!

HANG ON, SONIC! MAYBE MY METHODS CAN GET US OUT OF THIS IN ONE PIECE!

LATER...

NO MORE HYPNO-THERAPY FOR ME!

YOU'RE GOOD ENOUGH JUST AS YOU ARE, TAILS!

EVEN IF YOU ARE BORING AT TIMES!

MIND YOU, HYPNOSIS CAN BE USEFUL FOR SOME!

YOU DO NOT WANT TO FIGHT... YOU DO NOT WANT TO FIGHT...

HEY, PEACE, DOC!

THE END.

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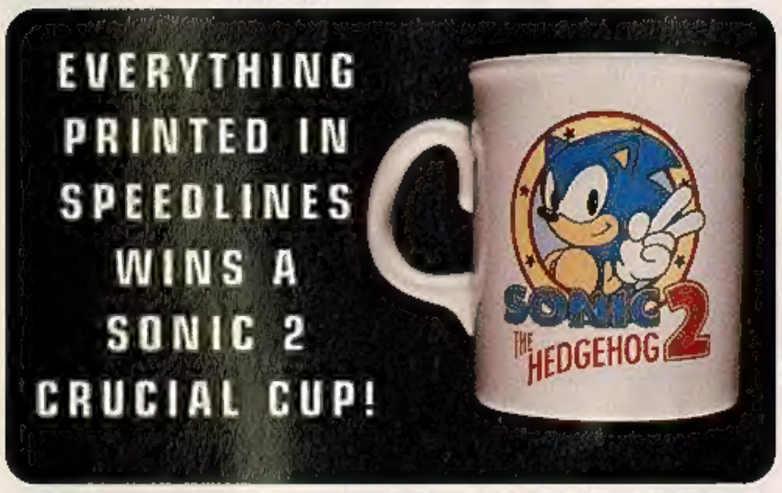

HOSTILE HOSTESS!

Dear *STC*,

I am holding Sonic captive in a top secret location with a new super-trooper on guard. It is pointless trying to save him! However, I have decided to let you know that I am prepared to release him if you give me a Sonic 2 Crucial Cup. If I don't receive one soon, you can say bye-bye to your precious hedgehog! HaHaHaHa!

The Mystery Villain,
c/o Claire Fletcher,
North Cheam, Surrey.
Sonic 3 Crucial Cup Winner.

PS: Don't blame Claire for this, I'm holding her captive as well!

I've got news for you, MV, your hedgehog is obviously an imposter! HaHaHaHa!

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Dear *STC*,

I've been wondering just what happened to Tekno, Shortfuse and the secret laboratory following the electromagnetic pulse effect, so what's the situation?

Callum Hay, Kilwinning, Scotland.
Sonic 3 Crucial Cup Winner.

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GRILLING GRIMER!

Dear Megadroid,

I'm probably not the first person to notice that Grimer sometimes has a pack on his back, but what I would like to know is if the pack is to help him breath, or does it have another use?

Jonathan Smith,
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